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Mr. Leon A. Wilson, Jr., Executive Director Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway Jefferson Plaza2, Suite 10900 Arlington, VA 22202-3259

Dear Mr. Wilson:

I am writing to ask the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled (The Committee) to extend the comment period for the proposed rule to require nonprofit agencies awarded Government contracts under the authority of the Javits Wagner O'Day Act to comply with new governance standards from 60 days to 120 days.

The proposed rule changes are significant and it is important that more time be given for all interested parties to weigh in on this matter. Favorable consideration of this request would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or John McGregor of my Washington, DC office at (202) 225-7742.

Sincerely,

Solomon P. Ortiz

Member of Congress